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News Release

USU Faculty Member Elected to ACEP Board

BETHESDA, Md. – Air Force Lt. Col. Linda Lawrence, M.D., FACEP, commandant of the Uniformed Services University's School of Medicine, was recently elected to the board of directors of the American College of Emergency Physicians, the nation's largest emergency physician association.

Lawrence, who is also an associate professor in the Department of Military and Emergency Medicine at USU, was elected by the ACEP council and will serve a three-year term. The council is composed of representatives from the organization's 53 chapters, 22 sections of membership, and the Emergency Medicine Residents' Association.

The board of directors, comprised of 12 elected directors plus the president and immediate past-president, is ACEP's policymaking body that is responsible for the organization's management and control.

ACEP, a national emergency medicine medical specialty society with nearly 23,000 members, is committed to improving the quality of emergency care through continuing education, research and public education.

She was inducted as a fellow of ACEP in 1995 and has held several leadership positions with the organization, including president of the Government Services Chapter in 1997-1998.

A native of Euclid, Ohio, Lawrence received her medical degree in 1988 from Temple University School of Medicine and completed her emergency medicine residency training at Geisinger Medical Center in 1989.

She has more than 12 years' experience in emergency medicine, including four years spent at USU, where she developed and served as faculty for the introductory emergency medicine didactic course.

USUHS was established by Congress under the Department of Defense in 1972 and has the nation's only fully accredited federal school of medicine and graduate school of nursing. With its motto "Learning to Care for Those in Harm's Way," the university has a worldwide reputation as a center of excellence for military medical education and research.